

# NEBRASKA STATE FIRE MARSHAL OFFICIAL INTERPRETATION



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**Section(s):** 16.7.5

**Comments:**

Applies to Day-Care Homes in which at least three but not more than twelve clients receive care.

**Question:** Under what conditions may staff sleep in a Day-Care Home?

**Response:** In a Day-Care Home providing care during overnight or normal sleeping hours, the staff person may sleep when the following conditions are met:

1. The staff person cannot sleep until all clients are asleep.
2. The staff person must sleep on the same level of the home as the clients.
3. Smoke detection must be provided in the sleeping room of the staff and clients.
4. A portable fire extinguisher having a minimum rating of 2A10BC must be located in the staff sleeping room. The staff member must be familiar with the operation of the extinguisher.

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